PLACEMAKING NETWORK: WINTER-SPRING 2016 SEMINARS



Monday, January 25, 6-7:30pm BSA Space, 290 Congress Street, Boston

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The Concept of Layering in Architecture and Placemaking

Anne-Catrin Schultz, author of *Time Space* and Material: The Mechanics of Layering in Architecture (2015) and Assistant Professor of Architecture at Wentworth Institute of Technology, will examine the principle of layering in architecture, its mechanics, possible application and narrative in architecture and urban planning. Layering is widely used in the discussions of the 20th and 21st century architecture but rarely defined or closely examined. Layering can be seen as a system for the creation and analysis of place (and architectural space) over time and has the potential to act as a nonhierarchical design principle. Layered planes and layered spaces communicate a sense of complexity and depth carrying function, program and narrative at the same time. The book introduced looks at archaeological examples of urban layering, it reviews layered spaces from different cultures and discusses the material layering of architectural skins. Following Ms. Schultz's conceptual exploration and presentation of built examples our discussion will focus on layering and review its potential for placemaking.

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